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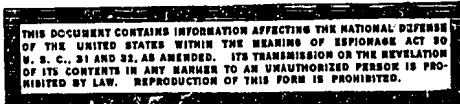
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#### INTENSIFY CAMPAIGN TO FIGHT MALARIA

The Public Health Ministry has prepared the 1950 plan for the fight against malaria. The elimination of mosquitoes during the winter months will be accomplished by DDT. The treatment of malaria patients will be expanded by including all those who have been affected during 1948 and 1949.

Preseasonal treatments will be organized by health authorities in schools, public organizations, etc. The medicines distributed must be taken in the presence of the distributing personnel.

The campaign will be continued during April and May, at the outbreak of the so-called little spring epidemic resulting from recurrence. Disinfesting operations in irrigation canals are under way, and since 1 May 1950 sanitation brigades and mobile laboratories have been taking blood tests of the population to detect malaria infection. Those who have the disease will undergo intensive medical treatment until they recover completely. In okoliya not provided with special malaria services, the treatments will be conducted in polyclinics and by local health services.

Hospitals, polyclinics, health services, and private physicians are directed to report all cases of malaria and blackwater fever and deaths due to these diseases. It is expected that this measure will bring under medical control all who have not been registered previously by the health services.

Following the mosquito survey conducted in the Rhodope area by the Bulgarian Academy of Science, the same area will be surveyed for malaria. Mobile laboratories will periodically visit malaria centers, such as Momchilgrad, Zlatograd, Krumivgrad, and Ivaylovgrad okoliya, and will take blood tests of the population, especially of children. Water will be kept under strict observation during malaria periods.

During October and November extensive checks of children of school and pre-school age will determine the index of those affected by parasites.

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